GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
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ASSISTANCE FOR POLLUTION CONTROL
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of measures taken by the Pollution Control Boards in the country for the control of pollution of various kinds/sources;

(b) whether various State Governments including Karnataka have requested the Union Government for assistance with regards to control of pollution from different sources;

(c) if so, the details of assistance requested by the State Governments from the Union Government for the control of pollution during the last three years, State-wise and yearwise;

(d) the cases in which the Union Government have extended assistance to States during the said period, State-wise; and

(e) the steps the Government have taken to reduce the level of pollution in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T. R. BAALU)

(a) The measures taken by the Pollution Control Boards in the country for control of pollution include:

i) Identification of polluting industries and assessment of pollution load.

ii) Causing industries to set up requisite pollution control devices to comply with the prescribed norms.

iii) Installation of common effluent treatment plants for industries located in the industrial estates or in cluster.

iv) Legal actions against industries not complying with the pollution control norms.

v) Assessment of water quality in the State/UT and formulating action plans for restoration of water quality.

vi) Assessment and maintenance of ambient air quality.

vii) Management of hazardous waste from industries discharging hazardous waste.

viii) Management of municipal waste (sewage and solid) through persuasion with the local bodies.

ix) Launching mass awareness programmes for prevention and control of pollution.

x) Actions against industries falling under the 17 categories of highly polluting industries and industries discharging waste water into rivers and lakes.

xi) Implementation of action points for restoration of environmental quality in critically polluted areas.

(b), (c) & (d) Ministry of Environment and Forests (MoEF) and Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) have been taking several steps to control pollution in the country. Proposals are received from various States for sanction and release of funds for the schemes to reduce pollution. Details of assistance given to the States are as given in the Appendix.

(e) Steps taken to reduce the level of pollution in the country include:

(i) Action has been taken against the industries falling under 17 categories of highly polluting industries and industries discharging waste water into rivers and lakes.

(ii) Action points are under implementation for restoration of environmental quality in critically polluted areas.

(iii) Common Effluent Treatment Plants (CETPs) have been established for treating waste water from the industries located in industrial estate of cluster.

(iv) Enforcement of vehicular emission norms and introduction of clean fuel in the country.

APPENDIX

(in Rupees)

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDED TO STATES/UNION TERITORIES

STATES/UNION TERITORIES	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-01	2001-02
Andhara Pradesh	549110	68026775	516680	504525
Arunachal Pradesh	0	875000	0	100000
Assam	769955	387880	101757	386613
Bihar	892155	260530	39912073	2711625
Chandigarh	0	0	27778	5556
Delhi	20000000	13500000	8150000	221870000
Goa	67600	74360	0	181120
Gujarat	23515740	172103540	51457830	6656460
Haryana	265144835	148278715	69798285	170016667
Himachal Pradesh	917755	119545	1217818	208127
Jammu & Kashmir	800000	1000000	0	500000
Karnataka	11708755	43911095	32411785	2159265
Kerala	1485440	487500	1217110	1590287
Lakshadweep	21590	15100	8940	9290
Madhya Pradesh	51091130	115365125	71902587	815995
Maharashtra	757070	25913515	122024031	53494690
Manipur	170090	1006730	520440	31850
Meghalaya	1569000	1233100	2502500	3499583
Mizoram	1425000	800000	0	0
Nagaland	100000	1335000	897400	0
Orissa	1413435	801160	9117337	30698194
Punjab	50138800	129774130	66703610	154136435
Pondicherry	48765	45840	791675	38568
Rajasthan	903150	5170340	1075893	979677
Sikkim	600000	800000	860400	0
Tamil Nadu	10200320	108187355	291055438	401969745
Tripura	902790	852020	59020	13880
Uttar Pradesh	656230035	798966785	591791624	771562675
West Bengal	40429395	40000000	15000000	50094820